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## **Kentucky Division of Probation and Parole Scores 99 Percent in Re-Accreditation Audit**

**Frankfort, Ky. (Sept. 28, 2015)** – For the third consecutive time, the Kentucky Department of Corrections (DOC) Division of Probation and Parole has received a near perfect score in its re-accreditation audit.

The division received an overall score of 99 percent. Auditors scored the agency 100 percent on the mandatory standard requirements and 99 percent on the non-mandatory requirements of the American Correctional Association (ACA).

In announcing the scores, ACA audit Chair Marian Langdon of Wynnewood, Pennsylvania said, “The agency’s accreditation went excellent and the professionalism is impressive as well as the facilities.”

Auditor David Lane of Ringgold, Georgia said all of the officers he encountered were very pleasant. “The offices were also very clean and organized,” said Lane. “You could tell that the officers put safety at the forefront of what they were doing.”

Probation and parole offices across the Commonwealth, covering four regions of the state, were toured by the audit team. The team spoke with probation and parole officers regarding supervision procedures and operational practices, as well as offenders under probation and parole supervision.

“I am very proud of the probation and parole staff for their efforts and professionalism during the ACA audit,” said Corrections Commissioner LaDonna Thompson. “To achieve such a high score takes a great deal of time and effort. It requires a lot of hard work on a daily basis to consistently maintain this level of performance.”

Director of Probation and Parole Roberto Rodriguez said the dedication and commitment of his staff during this process was second to none. “I am very proud of all staff at the district level and appreciative of the work our ACA accreditation team has accomplished in getting the department re-accredited,” said Rodriguez. “I can simply say thank you and job well done.”

The probation and parole accreditation audit is a multi-faceted examination of every aspect within the division. It consists of more than 170 national standards that cover security, procedures, training, and record-keeping regarding offenders. The audit process requires constant monitoring and quality control checks. The division is audited by ACA every three years and undergoes an inter-departmental audit every year.

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